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TRIBUTARY OF CHOCONUT CREEK, SUSQUEHANNA COUNTY
PENNSYLVANIA

LAKE TIMBERLINE DAM

NDI No. PA00977
PennDER No. 58-125
Dam Owner: Richard O'Reilly



PHASE I INSPECTION REPORT

NATIONAL DAM INSPECTION PROGRAM



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PREFACE

This report is prepared under guidance contained in the "Recommended Guidelines for Safety Inspection of Dams," for Phase I Investigations. Copies of these guidelines may be obtained from the Office of Chief of Engineers, Washington, D.C. 20314. The purpose of a Phase I Investigation is to identify expeditiously those dams which may pose hazards to human life or property. The assessment of the general condition of the dam is based upon available data and visual inspections. Detailed investigation and analyses involving topographic mapping, subsurface investigations, testing, and detailed computational evaluations are beyond the scope of a Phase I Investigation; however, the investigation is intended to identify any need for such studies.

In reviewing this report, it should be realized that the reported condition of the dam is based on observations of field conditions at the time of inspection along with data available to the inspection team. In cases where the reservoir was lowered or drained prior to inspection, such action, while improving the stability and safety of the dam, removes the normal load on the structure and may obscure certain conditions which might otherwise be detectable if inspected under the normal operating environment of the structure.

It is important to note that the condition of a dam depends on numerous and constantly changing internal and external conditions, and is evolutionary in nature. It would be incorrect to assume that the present condition of the dam will continue to represent the condition of the dam at some point in the future. Only through frequent inspections can unsafe conditions be detected and only through continued care and maintenance can these conditions be prevented or corrected.

Phase I Inspections are not intended to provide detailed hydrologic and hydraulic analyses. In accordance with the established guidelines, the spillway design flood is based on the estimated "Probable Maximum Flood" for the region (greatest reasonably possible storm runoff), or fractions thereof. The spillway design flood provides a measure of relative spillway capacity and serves as an aid in determining the need for more detailed hydrologic and hydraulic studies, considering the size of the dam, its general condition and the downstream damage potential.

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Lake Timberline Dam, Susquehanna County, Pennsylvania NDI No. PA 00977, PennDER No. 58-125 Tributary of Choconut Creek Inspected 30 March 1981

ASSESSMENT OF GENERAL CONDITIONS

Lake Timberline Dam is owned by Richard O'Reilly and is classified as a "Low" hazard - "Small" size dam. The dam was found to be in fair overall condition at the time of inspection.

Hydraulic/hydrologic evaluations, performed in accordance with procedures established by the Baltimore District, Corps of Engineers, for Phase I Inspection Reports, revealed that the spillway capacity is less than the peak inflow to the impoundment during the 100-year flood. A spillway design flood (SDF) in the range of the 50-year flood to the 100-year flood is required for Lake Timberline Dam. The 100-year flood was chosen as the SDF. The spillway is therefore considered "Inadequate." It is recommended that the owner immediately provide adequate spillway capacity.

The inspection revealed certain items of remedial work which should be performed by the owner without delay. These include:

- 1) Provide adequate spillway capacity.
- 2) Fill and seed the eroded areas at the downstream ends of the spillway training walls.
- 3) Place riprap above and below normal pool level on the upstream slope of the embankment.
- Monitor the seep near the outlet pipe at regular intervals and during periods of high reservoir levels for turbidity and/or increase in flow, which may indicate potential for the piping of embankment material. If turbidity and/or increased flows are noted, a qualified geotechnical engineer should be retained to further evaluate the seepage and to recommend remedial measures.
- (5) Repair the concrete headwall at the downstream end of the outlet pipe.

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- (6) Repair or remove the foot bridge across the spillway.
- (7) Cut all trees at the toe of the embankment at ground level. All trees with a trunk diameter greater than 3 inches should have their root systems removed. All resultant areas of erosion and cavities should be filled, graded, compacted and seeded.

In addition, the following operational measures are recommended to be undertaken by the owner:

- Develop a detailed emergency operation and warning system.
- 2) During periods of unusually heavy rainfall, provide around-the-clock surveillance of the dam.
- 3) When warning of a storm of major proportions is given by the National Weather Service, activate the emergency operation and warning system.

It is further recommended that formal inspection, maintenance, and operational procedures and records be developed and implemented. These should be included in a formal maintenance and operations manual for the dam.

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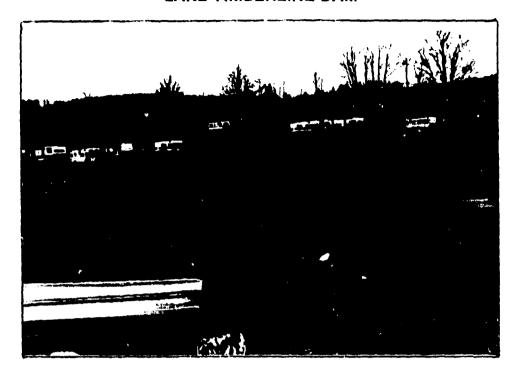
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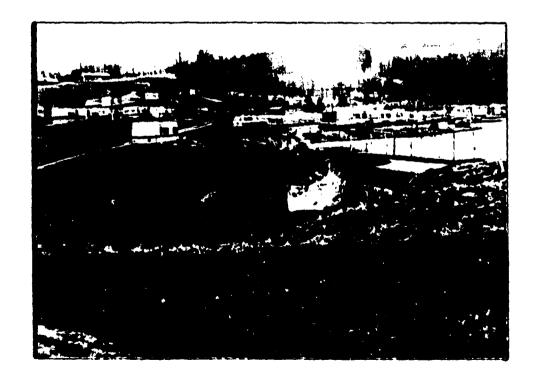
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LAKE TIMBERLINE DAM



Overall View of Upstream Face of Dam From Right Abulment



Overall View of Downstream Face of Dam From Left Abutment

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PHASE I INSPECTION REPORT NATIONAL DAM INSPECTION PROGRAM LAKE TIMBERLINE DAM NDI No. PA CO977, PennDER No. 58-125

SECTION 1 - PROJECT INFORMATION

1.1 GENERAL

- a. Authority The Dam Inspection Act, Public Law 92-367, authorized the Secretary of the Army, through the Corps of Engineers, to initiate a program of inspection of dams throughout the United States.
- b. <u>Purpose of Inspection</u> The purpose of the inspection is to determine if the dam constitutes a hazard to human life or property.

1.2 DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT

Description of Dam and Appurtenances - Lake Timberline Dam is an earthfill embankment 201 feet long
and 12.6 feet high. The embankment has a crest
width of 15 feet and side slopes of 0.6H:1V
(Horizontal to Vertical) upstream (above normal
pool level) and 1H:1V downstream (located near the
outlet pipe), and the remaining areas of the downstream slope are approximately 2H:1V. The upstream
face of the embankment is protected with riprap.
Plans available for the dam show that a cut-off
trench extends the entire length of the embankment.
It has a bottom width of 8 feet, a top width of 10
feet and a depth of 5 feet below the upstream toe
of the embankment.

The spillway, located near the center of the embankment, consists of a concrete broad-crosted weir 30.7 feet long (perpendicular to the direction of flow). Concrete spillway training walls extend 1.5 feet above the crest of the weir.

The outlet works consist of an 18-inch diameter corrugated metal pipe encased in 6 inches of concrete with two 5 foot square - 8 inch wide anti-seep collars. A metal sliding gate valve on the upstream slope controls the submerged intake of the outlet works.

b. Location Lake Timberline Dam is located on an unnamed tributary to Choconut Creek in Silver Lake Township, Susquehanna County, Pennsylvania. The dam is approximately 2 miles north of Forest Lake.

The coordinates of the dam are N 41° 55.0' and W 75° 58.6'.
The dam can be found on the USGS 7.5 minute topographic quadrangle, Laurel Lake, Pennsylvania.

- c. Size Classification The height of the dam is 12.6 feet. Storage at the top of the dam [Elevation 1418.6 feet Mean Sea Level (ft. M.S.L.)] is 182 acre-feet. Therefore, the dam is in the "Small" size category.
- d. Hazard Classification If the dam should fail, economic damage is likely to result to one home and 3 unoccupied buildings 5600 feet downstream from the dam and 4 to 8 feet above the streambed. Damage to the Township Road 3150 feet downstream from the dam is also likely. Loss of life is considered unlikely; therefore, the dam is considered to be in the "Low" hazard category.
- e. Ownership The dam is owned by Richard O'Reilly, RD #1, Friendsville, Pennsylvania 18818.
- f. Purpose of Dam The impoundment created by the dam is used for recreation and fishing.

g. Design and Construction History - Lake Timberline was designed by L. F. Burlein, P.E., of Honesdale, Pennsylvania, in 1957. The dam was constructed in 1958 and the contractor was H. D. Griffiths of Montrose, PA.

h. Normal Operational Procedures - The reservoir is typically maintained at the spillway crest, Elevation 1417.0 ft. M.S.L.

1.3 PERTINENT DATA

a. Drainage Area (square miles) - 1.28*

b. <u>Discharge at Dam Site (c.f.s.)</u> -

Maximum Flood - Unknown Spillway Capacity at Maximum Pool (El. 1418.6 ft. M.S.L.) - 190.0

^{*}Planimetered from the Laurel Lake, Pennsylvania, USGS 7.5 minute topographic quadrangle.

c.	Elevation* (feet above Mean Sea Level [ft. M	.s.L.]) -		
	Design Top of Dam - Minimum Top of Dam - Maximum Design Pool - Spillway Crest - Toe of Dam - Maximum Tailwater of Record -	1416.0 1418.6 Unknown 1417.0 1406.0 Unknown		
d.	Reservoir (feet) -			
	Length of Maximum Pool (El. 1418.6 ft. M.S.L.) - Length of Normal Pool (El. 1417.0 ft. M.S.L.) -	1800.0 1700.0		
٠.	Storage (acre-feet) -			
		182.0 142.0		
f.	Reservoir Surface (acres) -			
	•	22.70 21.12		
g.	Dam -			
	Type - Total Length (feet) - Height (feet) - Design - Field - Top Width (feet) - Side Slopes - Upstream - Design - Field - Varies from	Earthfill 201.0 10.0 12.6 15.0 2H:1V 0.6H:1V		
	to 2H:lV Downstream - Design -	2H:1V		
	Field - Varies from 1H:1' to 2H:1V			
	Zoning - Impervious Core - Cut-off - A cut-off trench was designed for installation along the up- stream toe of the embankment. The trench was designed 5 feet deep with a bottom width of 8 feet.	None None		
	Drains -	None		

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^{*}All elevations are referenced to the spillway crest, El. 1417.0 ft. M.S.L., as estimated from the USGS 7.5 minute topographic quadrangle, Laurel Lake, Pennsylvania.

h. Diversion and Regulating Tunnels -

None

i. Spillway -

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Type - Concrete broad-crested weir
Location - Center of embankment
Length of Crest Perpendicular to
Flow (feet) - 30.7
Crest Elevation (ft. M.S.L.) - 1417.0
Gates - None
Downstream Channel - Rock lined with a
6-foot diameter culvert 75 feet
downstream.

j. Outlet Works - The outlet works consist of an 18-inch corrugated metal pipe with two 5 ft. by 5 ft. anti-seep collars. A sliding gate valve, located on the upstream side of the crest, controls the submerged intake of the outlet works.

SECTION 2 - ENGINEERING DATA

2.1 DESIGN

Information reviewed for preparation of this report consisted of the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Resources' (PennDER) File No. 58-125. This included:

- 1) The permit application to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Water and Power Resources Board from Richard O'Reilly, owner of the dam (dated 5 August 1957).
- 2) Cross sections of the reservoir and the earth embankment as proposed by Mr. L. F. Burlein, Registered Engineer. The reference datum for these drawings is unknown.
- 3) The permit issued by the Water and Power Resources Board allowing construction of the dam (dated 12 August 1957).
- 4) The final construction inspection report prepared by a representative of PennDER stating that the work appeared satisfactory but that the wasteway channel had not been paved with riprap. (Dated 20 November 1961.)
- 5) The latest inspection report, dated 17 August 1965, which was filed by PennDER, Division of Dams and Encroachments, stating that the general appearance of the dam was very good.

2.2 CONSTRUCTION

The dam was constructed in 1958. The contractor was H. D. Griffiths of Montrose, PA.

2.3 OPERATION

No formal procedures are followed for operating the dam and reservoir. The spillway is uncontrolled and the reservoir is typically at the spillway crest level.

2.4 EVALUATION

a. Availability - The information reviewed is readily available from PennDER File No. 58-125.

- b. Adequacy The information available, combined with the visual inspection measurements and observations, is considered adequate for a Phase I Inspection of this dam.
- c. Validity There is no reason at the present time to doubt the validity of the available engineering data. However, observations and measurements performed during the visual inspection indicated a few deviations from the design drawings. These are:
 - The spillway crest has been raised and made a broad-crested weir.
 - There is no wheel on the crest of the dam with which to control the gate for the outlet pipe.
 - 3) A foot bridge has been installed across the spillway.

SECTION 3 - VISUAL INSPECTION

3.1 FINDINGS

- a. General The dam was found to be in fair overall condition at the time of inspection on 30 March 1981. No unusual weather conditions were experienced during the inspection. Noteworthy deficiencies observed during the visual inspection are described briefly in the following paragraphs. The complete visual inspection checklist, field sketch, top of dam profile, and typical cross-section are presented in Appendix A.
- b. Embankment Erosion was observed around both downstream ends of the spillway training walls. Minor erosion was also noted along the upstream face of the embankment at normal pool level. Brush and some small trees are growing on the downstream face of the embankment. Clear seepage (approximately 1 g.p.m.) was flowing from the toe of the embankment near the outlet pipe. The embankment slopes appeared to be approximately 2H:1V with the slopes near the outlet pipe appearing to be 1H:1V.
- c. Appurtenant Structures The concrete headwall at the downstream end of the outlet pipe is deteriorated. The outlet end of the outlet pipe appears to be at a higher elevation than the entrance to the pipe. The foot bridge across the spillway is in poor condition.
- d. Reservoir Area The reservoir slopes are moderate and no signs of instability were observed. Sedimentation did not appear to be a problem.
- e. Downstream Channel The downstream channel has mild slopes. The channel passes through a 6-foot culvert under a private road 75 feet downstream from the dam. Located 3150 feet downstream from the dam is a township road. One house and three unoccupied buildings are located 5600 feet downstream of the dam.

SECTION 4 - OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES

4.1 PROCEDURES

There are no formal procedures for operating the reservoir or evacuating the downstream area in case of an emergency. It is recommended that formal emergency procedures be adopted, prominently displayed and furnished to all operating personnel.

4.2 MAINTENANCE OF DAM

There are no formal records of maintenance or formal procedures for evaluating the necessity of maintenance for the structure. It is recommended that formal inspection procedures be developed.

4.3 MAINTENANCE OF OPERATING FACILITIES

Maintenance is unscheduled. It is recommended that a formal operation and a preventive maintenance schedule be developed and implemented.

4.4 DESCRIPTION OF ANY WARNING SYSTEM

There is no warning system in the event of dam failure. It is recommended that an emergency warning system be developed.

4.5 EVALUATION OF OPERATIONAL ADEQUACY

The current operational features are adequate for the purpose they serve. However, it is recommended that a formal maintenance and operations manual be prepared for the dam.

SECTION 5 - HYDRAULIC/HYDROLOGIC

5.1 EVALUATION OF FEATURES

- a. <u>Design Data</u> No hydrologic or hydraulic design calculations are available for Lake Timberline Dam.
- b. Experience Data No information concerning the effects of significant floods on the dam is available.
- visual Cbservations During the visual inspection, no problems were observed which would indicate that the dam and appurtenant facilities could not perform satisfactorily during a flood event.
- d. Overtopping Potential Lake Timberline Dam is a "Small" size "Low" hazard dam requiring evaluation for a spillway design flood (SDF) in the range of the 50-year flood to the 100-year flood. The 100-year flood was chosen as the SDF.

Using material from "The Hydrologic Study - Tropical Storm Agnes" prepared by the Corps of Engineers New York District, the peak inflow to the impoundment for the 100-year flood was calculated to be 1390 c.f.s. The peak inflow to the impoundment for the 100-year flood was also calculated to be 680 c.f.s., using material from "Water Resources Bulletin, Bulletin No. 13, Floods in Pennsylvania", prepared by the Department of Environmental Resources, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Averaging these two methods produced a peak inflow of 1030 c.f.s., which was used in this analysis.

The spillway capacity at the minimum top of dam is 190 c.f.s., which is approximately 19 percent of the peak inflow to the impoundment.

e. Spillway Adequacy - As outlined in the above analysis, the inflow to the impoundment during the 100-year flood is greater than the spillway capacity; therefore, the spillway is considered "Inadequate".

SECTION 6 - STRUCTURAL STABILITY

6.1 EVALUATION OF STRUCTURAL STABILITY

- a. <u>Visual Observations</u> Seepage was observed exiting near the outlet pipe discharge. This area should be monitored in future inspections for an increase in flow and/or turbidity.
- b. Design and Construction Data Calculations of slope and structural stability were not available for review. The dam cross-section indicates a downstream slope of lH:lV. This slope is present only at the outlet location and the remaining areas of the downstream slope are approximately 2H:lV as designed. The slopes have had a history of satisfactory performance. In view of the modest height of the dam, a history of satisfactory performance of its slopes, and no signs of distress observed during the visual inspection, no further stability analysis is deemed necessary.
- c. Operating Records Nothing in the operational information indicates concern relative to the structural stability of the dam.
- d. <u>Post-Construction Changes</u> No changes adversely affecting the structural stability of the dam have been performed.
- e. Seismic Stability The dam is located in Seismic Zone 1 of the "Seismic Zone Map of the Contiguous United States," Figure 1, page D-30, "Recommended Guidelines for Safety Inspection of Dams." This is a zone of minor seismic activity. Therefore, further consideration of the seismic stability is not warranted since the dam is considered to be structurally stable.

SECTION 7 - ASSESSMENT, RECOMMENDATIONS/REMEDIAL MEASURES

7.1 DAM ASSESSMENT

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- A. Safety Lake Timberline Dam was found to be in fair overall condition at the time of inspection. Lake Timberline Dam is a "Low" hazard "Small" size dam requiring a spillway capacity in the range of the 50-year flood to the 100-year flood. The 100-year flood was chosen as the SDF. As presented in Section 5, the spillway capacity is less than the peak inflow to the impoundment during the 100-year flood. Therefore, the spillway is considered "Inadequate."
- b. Adequacy of Information The information available and the observations and measurements made during the field inspection are considered sufficient for this Phase I Inspection Report.
- c. <u>Urgency</u> The owner should immediately initiate the action discussed in paragraph 7.2.
- d. Necessity for Additional Data/Evaluation The hydraulic/hydrologic analysis performed in connection with this Phase I Inspection Report has indicated the need for additional spillway capacity. It is recommended that the owner provide adequate spillway capacity.

7.2 RECOMMENDATIONS/REMEDIAL MEASURES

The inspection revealed certain items of remedial work which should be performed by the owner without delay. These include:

- 1) Provide adequate spillway capacity.
- 2) Fill and seed the eroded areas at the downstream ends of the spillway training walls.
- 3) Place riprap above and below normal pool level on the upstream slope of the embankment.
- 4) Monitor the seep near the outlet pipe at regular intervals and during periods of high reservoir levels for turbidity and/or increase in flow, which may indicate potential for the piping of embankment material. If turbidity and/or increased flows are noted, a qualified

geotechnical engineer should be retained to further evaluate the seepage and to recommend remedial measures.

- 5) Repair the concrete headwall at the downstream end of the outlet pipe.
- 6) Repair or remove the footbridge across the spillway.
- 7) Cut all trees at the toe of the embankment at ground level. All trees with a trunk diameter greater than 3 inches should have their root systems removed. All resultant areas of erosion and cavities should be filled, graded, compacted and seeded.

In addition, the following operational measures are recommended to be undertaken by the owner:

- 1) Develop a detailed emergency operation and warning system.
- 2) During periods of unusually heavy rainfall, provide around-the-clock surveillance of the dam.
- 3) When warning of a storm of major proportions is given by the National Weather Service, activate the emergency operation and warning system.

It is further recommended that formal inspection, maintenance, and operational procedures and records be developed and implemented. These should be included in a formal maintenance and operations manual for the dam.

APPENDIX A

VISUAL INSPECTION CHECK LIST, FIELD SKETCH, TOP OF DAM PROFILE, AND TYPICAL CROSS-SECTION

Visual Inspection Check List Phase 1

Temperature 60° F.	Weather Rain T	Weather	30 March 1981	Date of Inspection
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Date of Inspection

Tailwater at Time of Inspection 1408.4 ft. M.S.L. *All elevations are referenced to the spillway crest, El. 1417.0 ft. M.S.L. as estimated from the USGS 7.5 minute topographic quadrangle, Laurel Lake, Pennsylvania. ·M.S.L. 1417.2 ft.* Pool Elevation at Time of Inspection

Inspection Personnel:

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James G. Ulinski Jeff L. Sawyer Gary W. Todd Gary W.

Owner's Representatives:

James G. Ulinski

Recorder

- Not Applicable CONCRETE/MASONRY DAMS LAKE TIMBERLINE DAM NDI #PA 00977 Name of Dam:

VISUAL EXAMINATION OF

OBBERVATIONS

REMARKS OR RECOMMENDATIONS

LEAKAGE

STRUCTURE TO ABUTHENT/EMBANKMENT JUNCTIONS

DRAINS

WATER PASSAGES

POUNDATION

CONCRETE/MASONRY DAMS - Not Applicable Name of Dam: LAKE TIMBERLINE DAM

OBSERVATIONS VISUAL EXAMINATION OF

REMARKS OR RECOMMENDATIONS

GURFACE CPACKS
CONCRETE SURFACES

STRUCTURAL CRACKING

VERTICAL AND HORIZONTAL ALIGNMENT

MONOLITH JOINTS

CONSTRUCTION JOINTS

REMARKS OR RECOMMENDATIONS

EMBANKMENT

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VISUAL EXAMINATION OF

SURPACE CRACKS

None observed

OBSERVATIONS

UNUSUAL MOVEMENT OR CRACKING AT OR BEYOND THE TOE

None observed

SLOUGHING OR EROSION OF EMBANKMENT AND ABUTMENT SLOPES

Erosion around both downstream ends of the spillway training walls. Minor erosion along the upstream face at normal pool level.

Fill and seed areas of erosion. Place erosion protection on the upstream face of the embankment above and below normal pool level.

EMBANKMENT

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VISUAL EXAMINATION OF OBSERVATIONS

VERTICAL AND HORIZONTAL ALIGNMENT OF THE CREST

The horizontal and vertical alignment of the crest are good.

REMARKS OR RECOMMENDATIONS

RIPRAP PAILURES

None observed

Brush and some small trees are growing on the downstream face of the embankment.

VEGETATION

Cut all trees and brush at ground level. All trees with a trunk diameter greater than 3-in. should have their root systems removed. All resultant areas of erosion and cavities should be filled, graded, compacted and seeded.

EMBANKMENT

Name of Dam LAKE TIMBERLINE DAM NDI #PA 00977

VISUAL EXAMINATION OF JUNCTION OF EMBANKMENT AND ABUTMENT, SPILLWAY AND DAM

OBSERVATIONS
Good condition.

REMARKS OR RECOMMENDATIONS

ANY NOTICEABLE SEEPAGE

Monitor for turbidity and/or increase in flow. Clear seepage (approximately 1 g.p.m.) 2 ft. upstream from the downstream end of the outlet pipe.

STAFF GAGE AND RECORDER

None

DRAINS

None observed

OUTLET WORKS

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Dam:	
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VISUAL EXAMINATION OF	OBSERVATIONS	REMARKS OR RECOMMENDATIONS
CRACKING AND SPALLING OF CONCRETE SURFACES IN OUTLET CONDUIT	The outlet pipe is an 18-inch C.M.P. provided with upstream closure. The outlet pipe did not show signs of major deterioration.	

INTAKE STRUCTURE The stem

The intake is submerged. The valve stem is submerged off of the upstream crest of the dam.

OUTLET STRUCTURE

The outlet pipe is encased in a concrete headwall. A clear seep (est. I g.p.m.) was flowing from the toe of the embankment 2 ft. upstream from the end of the pipe. The outlet end of the pipe appears to be at a higher elevation than the entrance to the pipe.

Monitor seep in the future for

increase in flow and/or

turbidity.

OUTLET CHANNEL

Good condition.

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REMARKS OR RECOMMENDATIONS

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VISUAL EXAMINATION OF

CONCRETE WEIR

No problems observed.

OBSERVATIONS

APPROACH CHANNEL

No problems observed.

DISCHARGE CHANNEL

There is erosion around both sides of downstream end of training walls. The owner reports installing free training material to relieve pressure on the training walls.

BRIDGE AND PIERS

The footbridge is in poor condition.

Repair or remove footbridge.

REMARKS OR RECOMMENDATIONS

GATED SPILLWAY N/A

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VISUAL EXAMINATION OF OBSERVATIONS

CONCRETE SILL

APPROACH CHANNEL

DISCHARGE CHANNEL

BRIDGE AND PIERS

GATES AND OPERATION EQUIPMENT

A-10 REMARKS OR RECOMMENDATIONS				
INSTRUMENTATION OBSERVATIONS None	None	None	None	None
Name of Dam: LAKE TIMBERLINE DAM NDI #PA 00977 VISUAL EXAMINATION MONUMENTATION/SURVEYS	OBSERVATION WELLS	WEIRS	Pibzometers	OTHER

REMARKS OR RECOMMENDATIONS

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VISUAL EXAMINATION OF

OBSERVATIONS

SLOPES

The reservoir slopes are mild and no problems were observed.

SEDIMENTATION

No problem observed.

REMARKS OR RECOMMENDATIONS

DOWNSTREAM CHANNEL

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VISUAL EXAMINATION OF

CONDITION (OBSTRUCTIONS, DEBRIS, ETC.)

A private road is located immediately downstream with a 6-ft. diameter culvert,

OBSERVATIONS

SLOPES

The downstream channel slopes at approximately 1.5 percent. The side slopes are mild,

APPROXIMATE NO. OF HOMES AND POPULATION

Cne home and 3 unoccupied buildings are located 5600 ft. downstream from the dam. These structures are from 4 to 8 ft. above the stream bed.

All of the structures are likely to suffer economic damages were the dam to fail.

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4. 4. LAKE TIMBERLINE DAM

TOP OF DAM PROFILE TYPICAL CROSS-SECTION

DATE OF INSPECTION: 30 March 1981

TOP OF DAM PROFILE (LOOKING DOWNSTREAM)

ABNGTN OF DAM 201 FEET

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DAM ELEV, 1418.6 M.

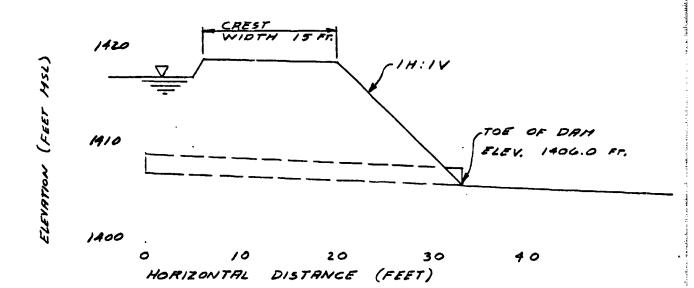
SPILLWAY CREST
ELEV. 1417.0 FT.

1410 |

0 50 100 150 200 250

HORIZONTAL DISTANCE (FEET)

TYPICAL CROSS SECTION @ STATION 1+65



APPENDIX B
ENGINEERING DATA CHECK LIST

ENGINEERING DATA Lake Timberline Dam NDI #PA 00977

Name of Dam:

PLAN OF DAM

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See Plate 4 of this report.

REGIONAL VICINITY MAP

A USCS 7.5' topographic quadrangle, Laurel Lake, Pennsylvania, was used to prepare the vicinity map which is enclosed in this report as the Location Plan (Plate 1).

CONSTRUCTION HISTORY

The dam was con-The dam was designed by L. F. Burlein, P.E., in 1957. The dam was structed in 1958. The contractor was H. D. Griffiths of Montrose, structed in 1958.

TYPICAL SECTIONS OF DAM

See Plate 5 of this report.

None available. HYDROLOGIC/HYDRAULIC DATA

Plate 7 of this report. See

See Plate 7 of this report. - DETAILS

- PLAN

OUTLETS

- CONSTRAINTS

None available.

- DISCHARGE RATINGS None available.

None available. RAINFALL/RESERVOIR RECORDS Name of Dam: LAKE TIMBERLINE DAM

NDI #PA 00977

REMARKS

DESIGN REPORTS

TERM

None available.

GEOLOGY REPORTS

No geology reports are available for the dam. Regional Geology.

See Appendix P for

DESIGN COMPUTATIONS
HYDROLOGY & HYDRAULICS
DAM STABILITY
SEEPAGE STUDIES

No design computations are available.

MATERIALS INVESTIGATIONS
BORING RECORDS
LABORATORY

No information available.

POST-CONSTRUCTION SURVEYS OF DAM None performed.

BORROW SOURCES

No information available.

Name of Dam: LAKE TIMBERLINE DAM

NDI #PA 00977

REMARKS

MONITORING SYSTEMS

ITEN

None.

MODIFICATIONS

The spillway crest was raised by placing a concrete cap on the existing weir. The left downstream wingwall was replaced in 1978.

HIGH POOL RECORDS

None available.

POST-CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING STUDIES AND REPORTS

None available.

PRIOR ACCIDENTS OR FAILURE OF DAM DESCRIPTION REPORTS

None.

None available.

MAINTENANCE OPERATION RECORDS

Name of Dam: LAKE TIMBERLINE DAM

NDI #PA 00977

SPILLMAY PLAN,

ITEM

See Plates 5 and 6 of this report.

SECTIONS, and DETAILS OPERATING EQUIPMENT PLANS & DETAILS

None.

CHECK LIST HYDROLOGIC AND HYDRAULIC DATA ENGINEERING DATA

DRAINAGE A	REA CHARACTERISTICS: 1.28 sq. mi. (primarily forested)
ELEVATION 3	TOP NORMAL POOL (STORAGE CAPACITY): 1417.0 ft. M.S.L.
	(142 acre-feet)
ELEVATION :	TOP FLOOD CONTROL POOL (STORAGE CAPACITY): 1418.6 ft. M.S.I
	(182 acre-feet)
ELEVATION 1	MAXIMUM DESIGN POOL: Unknown
ELEVATION 3	TOP DAM: 1418.6 ft. M.S.L. (Minimum top of dam)
SPILLWAY:	
b. !	Crest Elevation 1417.0 ft. M.S.L. Type concrete broad-crested weir Width of Crest Parallel to Flow 3.0 ft.
d. 1	Length of Crest Perpendicular to Flow 30.7 ft.
e. 1 f. 1	Location Spillover <u>center of embankment</u> Number and Type of Gates <u>None</u>
OUTLET WORK	KS:
a.	Type 18-in. corregated metal pipe with a metal slide gate on upstream end
b.]	Location 50 ft. right of the spillway
d. 1	Entrance Inverts unknown Exit Inverts 1406.0 ft. M.S.L.
e. 1	Emergency Drawdown Facilities The outlet pipe serves as the drawdown facilities
HYDROMETEO	ROLOGICAL GAGES: None
a. '	Type
	Location
c.	Records
MAXIMUM NO	N-DAMAGING DISCHARGE <u>Unknown</u>

APPENDIX C
PHOTOGRAPH LOCATION PLAN AND PHOTOGRAPHS

DETAILED PHOTOGRAPH DESCRIPTIONS

Overall View of Dam

Top Photo - Overall View of Upstream Face of Dam from (OV-T) Right Abutment

Bottom Photo - Overall View of Downstream Face of Dam (OV-B) from Left Abutment

Photograph Location Plan

Photo 1 - View of Entrance to Spillway

Photo 2 - View Across Spillway

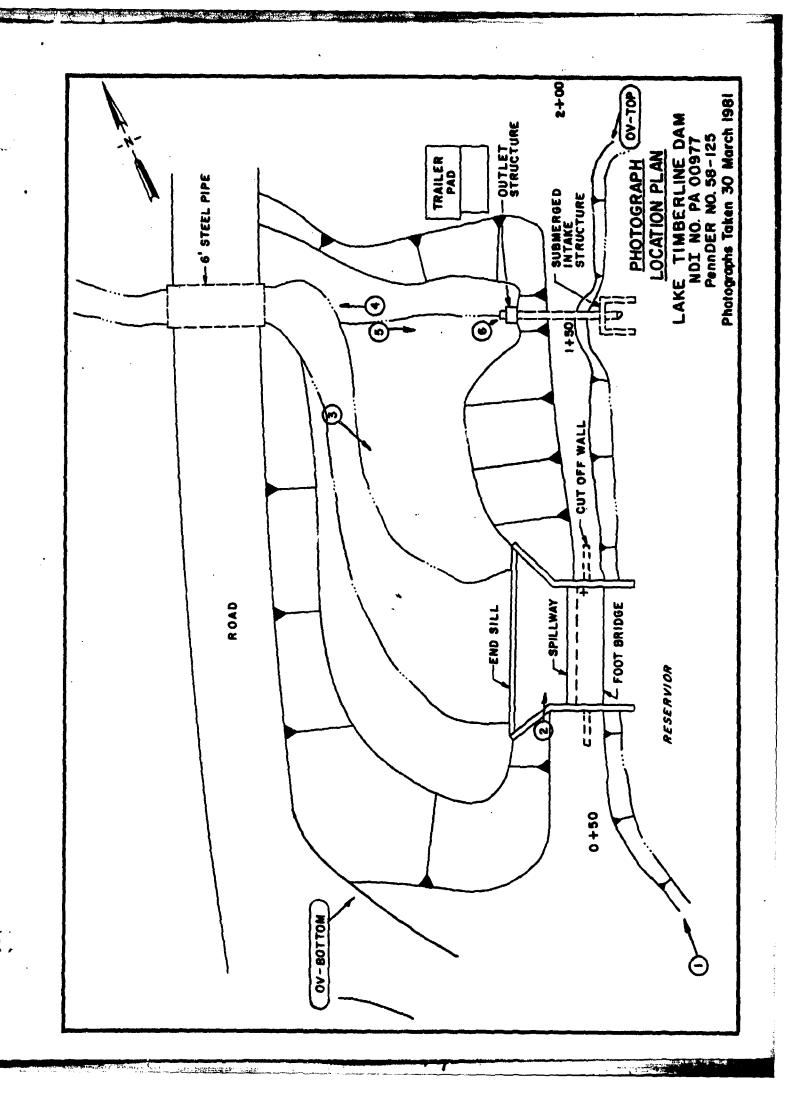
Photo 3 - View of Downstream Side of Spillway

Photo 4 - View of Road Culvert Immediately Downstream of Dam

Photo 5 - View of Discharge End of Outlet Pipe

Photo 6 - Close-up View of Discharge End of Outlet Pipe

Note: Photographs were taken on 30 March 1981.



LAKE TIMBERLINE DAM

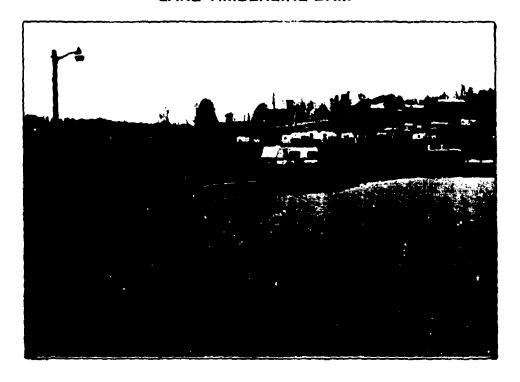


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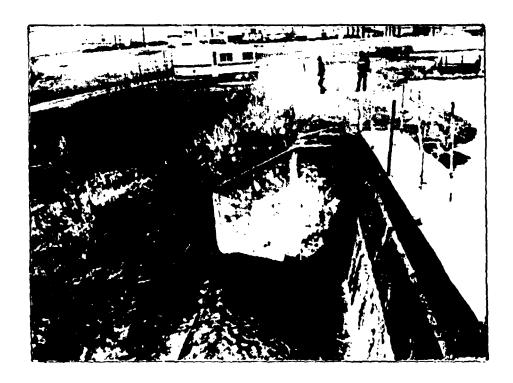


PHOTO 2. View Across Spillway

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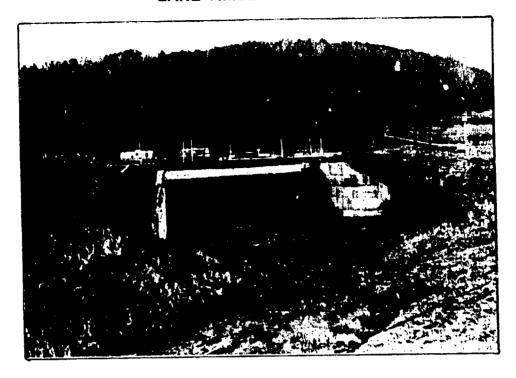


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PHOTO 4. View of Road Culvert Immediately Downstream of Dam

LAKE TIMBERLINE DAM



PHOTO 5. View of Discharge End of Outlet Pipe

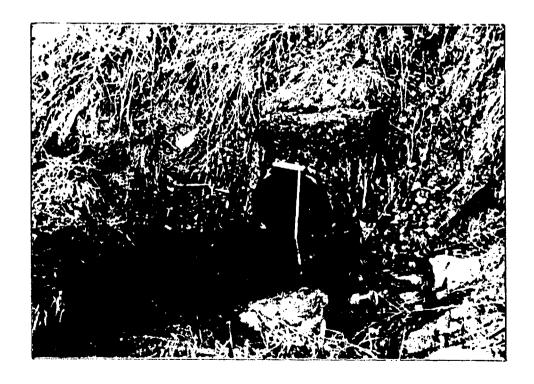


PHOTO 6. Close-up View of Discharge End of Outlet Pipe

APPENDIX D
HYDROLOGIC AND HYDRAULIC COMPUTATIONS

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HYDRRULE CALCULATIONS Drawing No. ______

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PREFACE

HYDROLOGIC AND HYDRAULIC COMPUTATIONS

Conclusions presented herein pertain to present conditions. The effect of future development on the hydrology of the watershed has not been considered.

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DRAINAGE AREA

LAUREL LAKE QUAD. - 2451.3/3 - 817.1 Acres - 1.28 mi2

SURFACE AREAS

LAKE SURFACE @ E1. 1417 - 0.69 = 0.23 in2 = 21.12 Acres = .033 mi E1. 1420 - 1.20/3 = 0.40 in2 = 36.73 Acres = .057 mi E1. 1440 - 1.98/3 = 0.66 in2 = 60.61 Acres = .094 mi2

WATERSHED LENGTHS

L= 7,867.2 ft. = 1.49 mi. Lc= 2,481.6 ft. = 0.47 mi.

NORITAL POOL STORAGE

STORAGE VOLUME = $\frac{h}{3}$ (A, $+R_2 + \sqrt{A}, R_2$)

A, = 19. 6 Ac.

Az = 21.12 Ac.

h = 7

V = $\frac{7}{3}$ (19.6 + 21.12 $+\sqrt{19.6}$) 21.12)

V = 142 Ac-Fr

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STORAGE VOLUME - 1/3 (A, +Az + \A, Az)

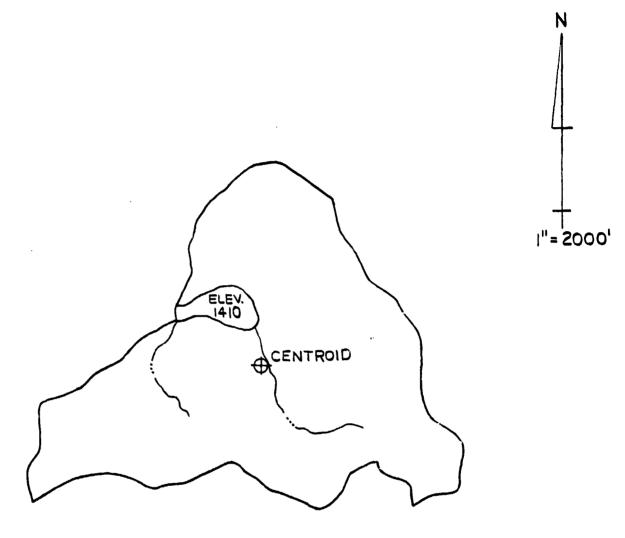
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AL = ZZ. T Ac

h = 8.6 FT

V = 8.53 (19.6 + ZZ. 7 + \((19.6) \) ZZ. 7

V = 18Z AC-FT



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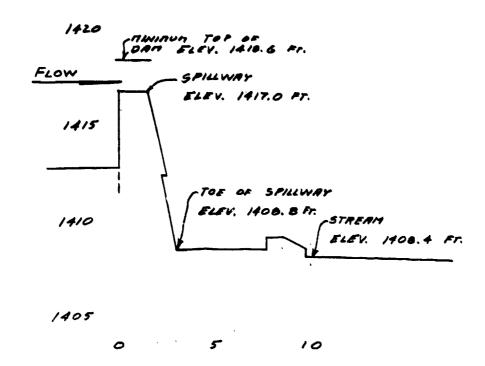
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SPILLWAY PROFILE



SPILLWAY DISCHARGE RATING

Q: CLH 12

C= 3.1 FROM BRATER + KING TABLE 5-3 PAGE 5-40

L= 30.7 FEFT

H VARIES

SPILLWAY CAPACITY AT THE NINMUN TOP OF DAN

Q= 3,1 (30.7)(1.6) 1/2

9 = 193 C.F.S.

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	Drawing No
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THE INFLOW TO THE INFOUNDMENT FOR THE 100-YEAR FLOOD WAS CALCULATED USING MATERIAL FROM "THE HYDROLOGIC STUDY - TROPICAL STORM AGNES" PREPARED BY THE SPECIAL STUDIES BRANCH, PLANNING DIVISION, NORTH ATLANTIC DIVISION, CORPS OF ENGINEERS, IN NEW YORK CITY.

DRAINAGE AREA - 1,28 Sq. Mi.

O COMPUTE THE MERN LOGARITHM $LOG(Q_{m}) = C_{m} + 0.75 \quad LOGR$

1.06 (q.) = MEAN LOGARITHM OF ANNUAL FLOOD PEAKS

A · DRAINAGE AREA, Sq. Mi. · 1.28

C. · MAP COEFFICIENTS FOR MEAN LOG OF ANNUAL

PEAKS FROM FIG. 21 - 2.20

104 (9m) = 2.20 + 0.75 (104 1.28)

2 COMPUTE STANDARD DEVIATION S = C, -0.05 (LOG A)

S : STANDARD DEVIATION OF THE LOGARITHMS
OF THE ANNUAL PERKS.

C. - MAP COEFFICIENT FOR STANDARD DEVIATION .
FROM FIG. 22 = 0.35

A . DRAINAGE AREA, 59. Mi., = 1.28

5 = 0.35 - 0.05 (204 1.28)

= 0.7446

- 3 SELECT SKEW COEFFICIENT FROM FIG. 23 = 0. 225
- (P. 10G (Q...) = LOG (Q...) + K (P.3) S

 K (P.9) = STANDARD DEVIATE FOR A GIVEN EXCEEDENCE

 FREQUENCY PERCENTAGE (P) AND SKEW COEFFICIENT

 (9) FROM EXHIBIT 39 OF BEARD'S "STATISTICAL

 METHODS IN HYDROLOGY"

109 (9,00) = 2.2804 + 2.50(0.3446) 9,00 = 1,386 CF5

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PRAINAGE BASIN FROM PLATE 1 - MODEL 2

REGRESSION EQUATION FROM TABLE $Q_7 = CR^{\frac{1}{2}}$

T = 100 YEARS

C = 564

R = DRRINAGE AREA, 1.28 Sq. Mi.

X = .744

Q100 = 564 (1.28).744 Q100 = 678 C.F.S.

AVERAGING THE INFLOW FROM THIS METHOD AND THE PREVIOUS METHOD GIVES AN INFLOW OF 1,030 GFS. TO THE IMPOUNDMENT. APPENDIX E PLATES

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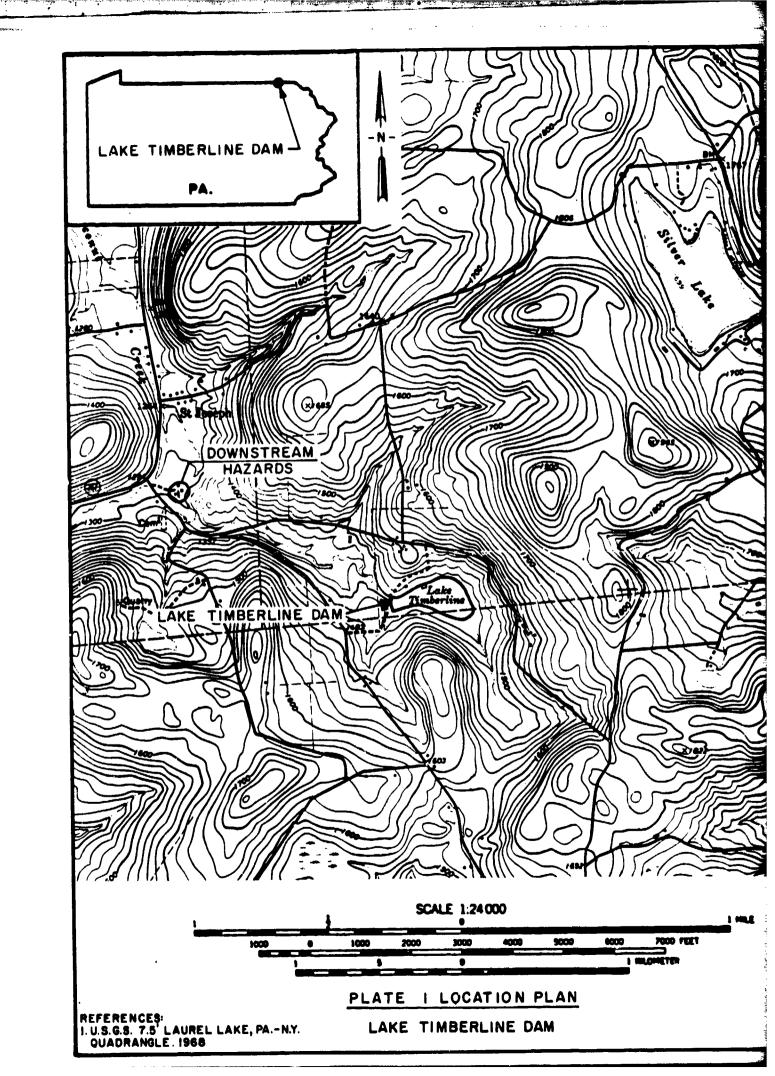
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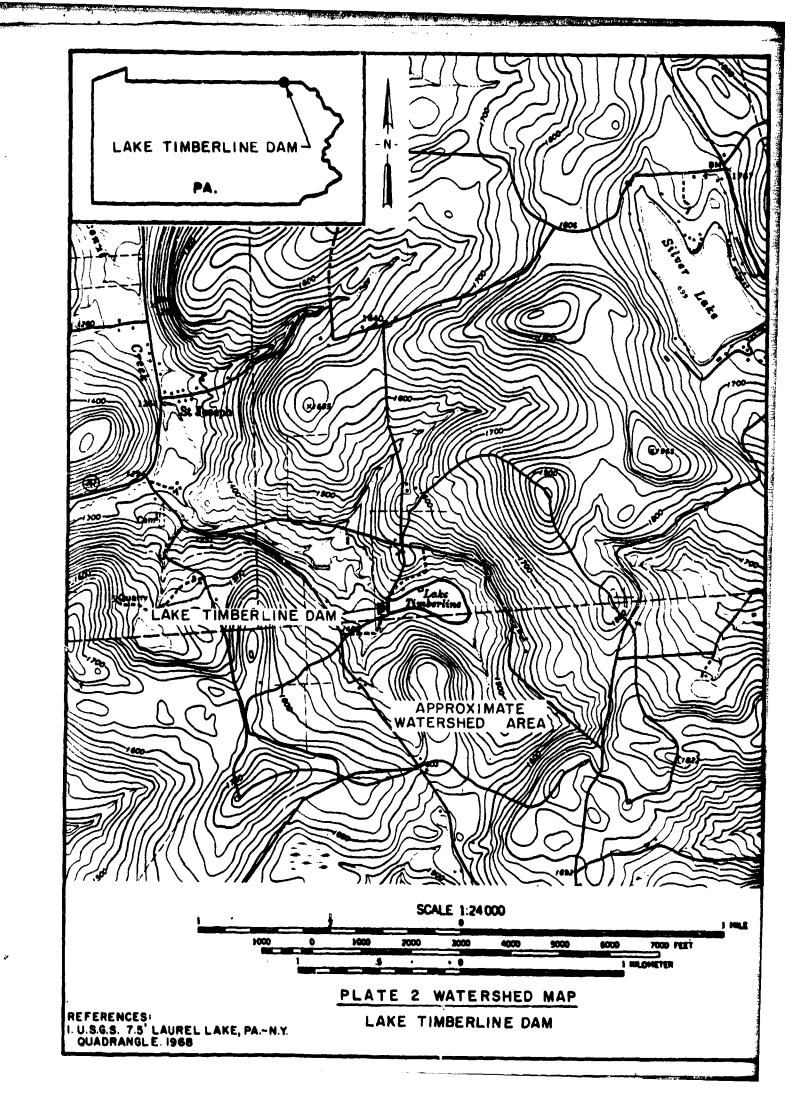
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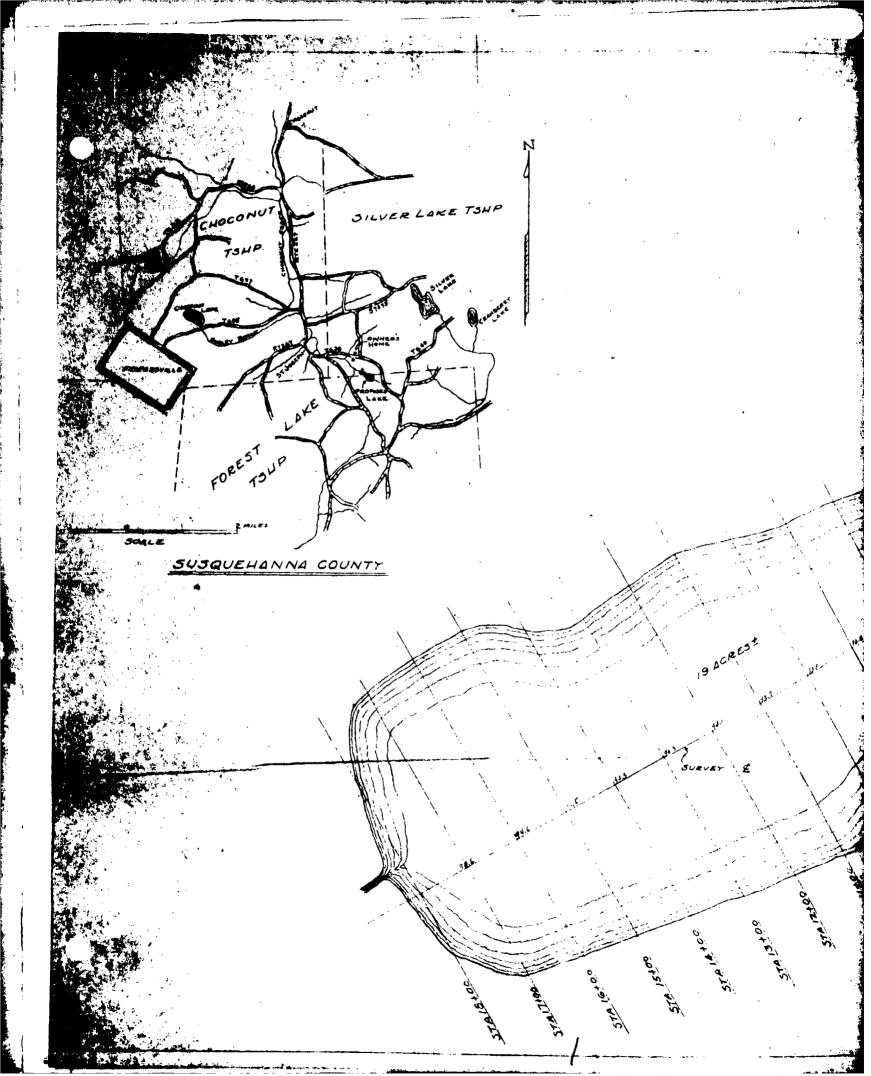
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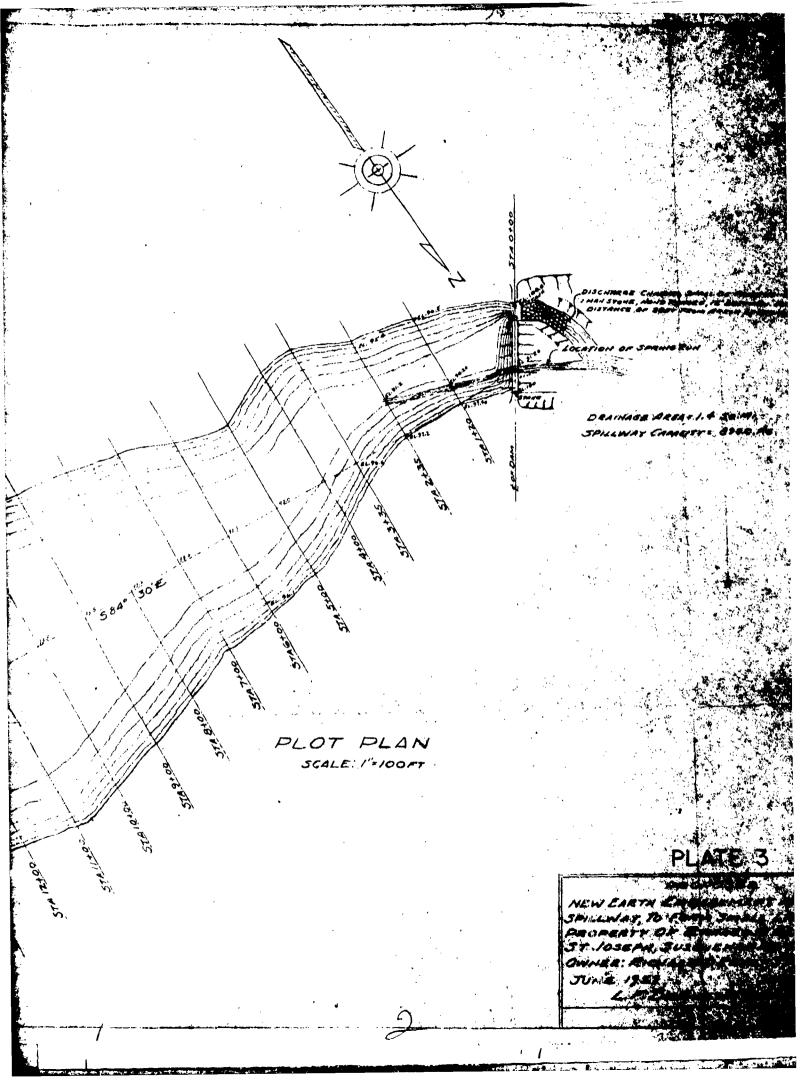
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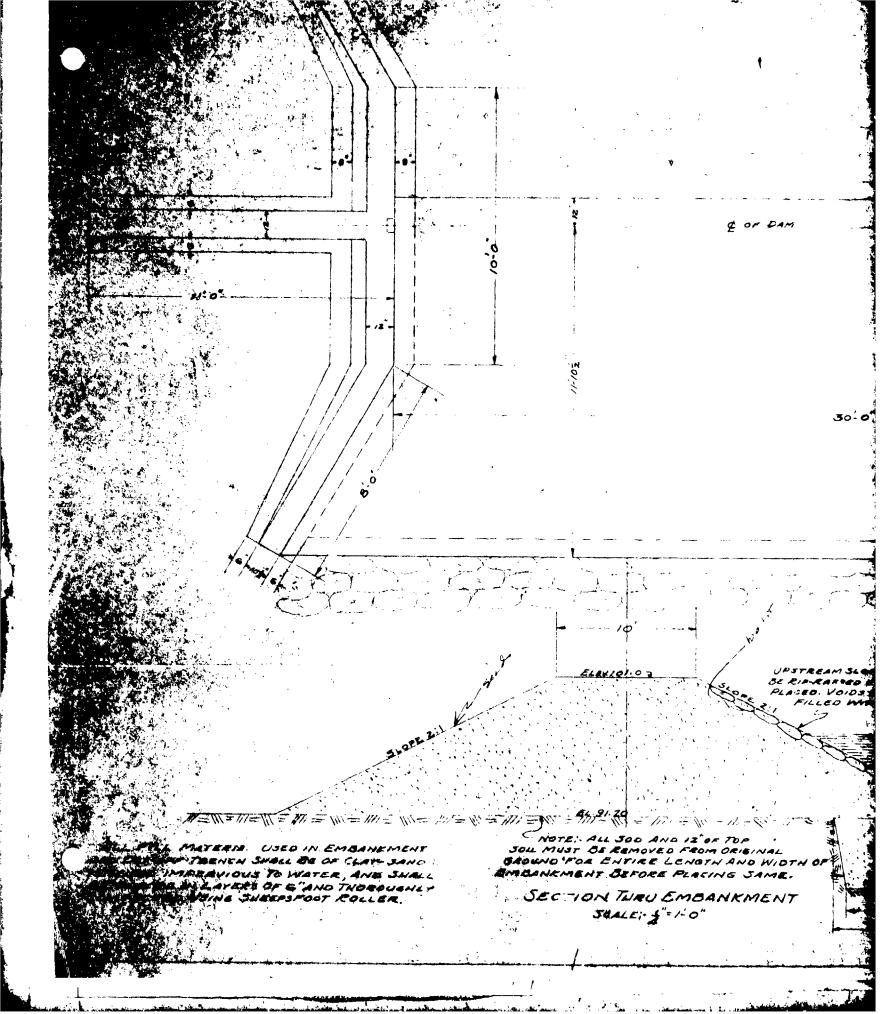
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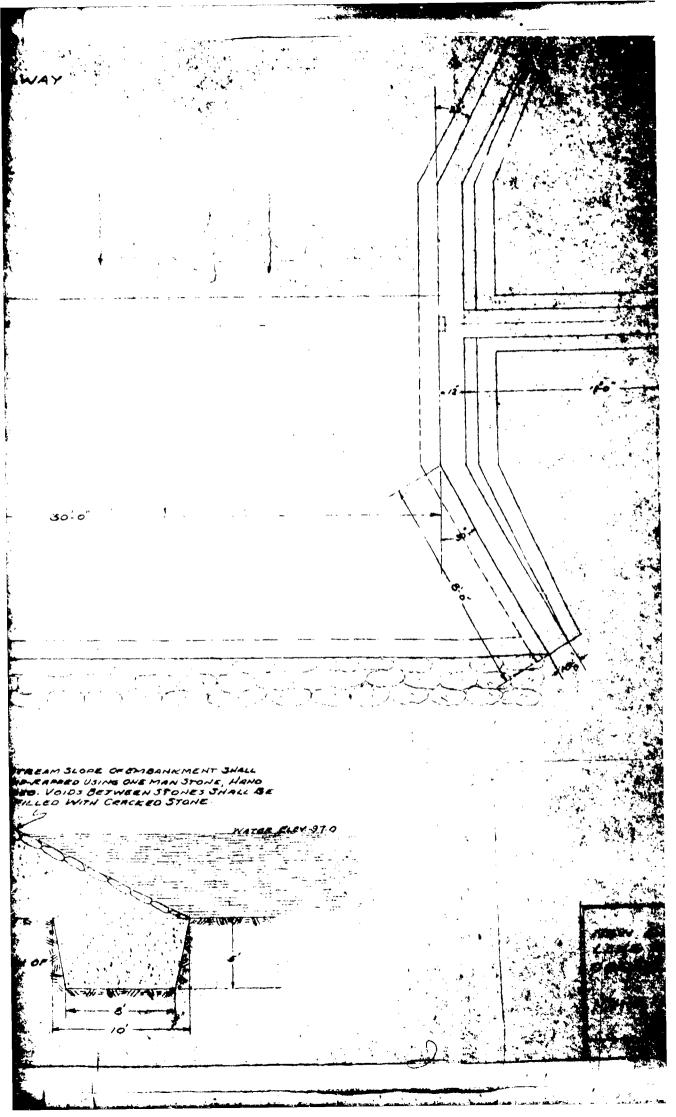


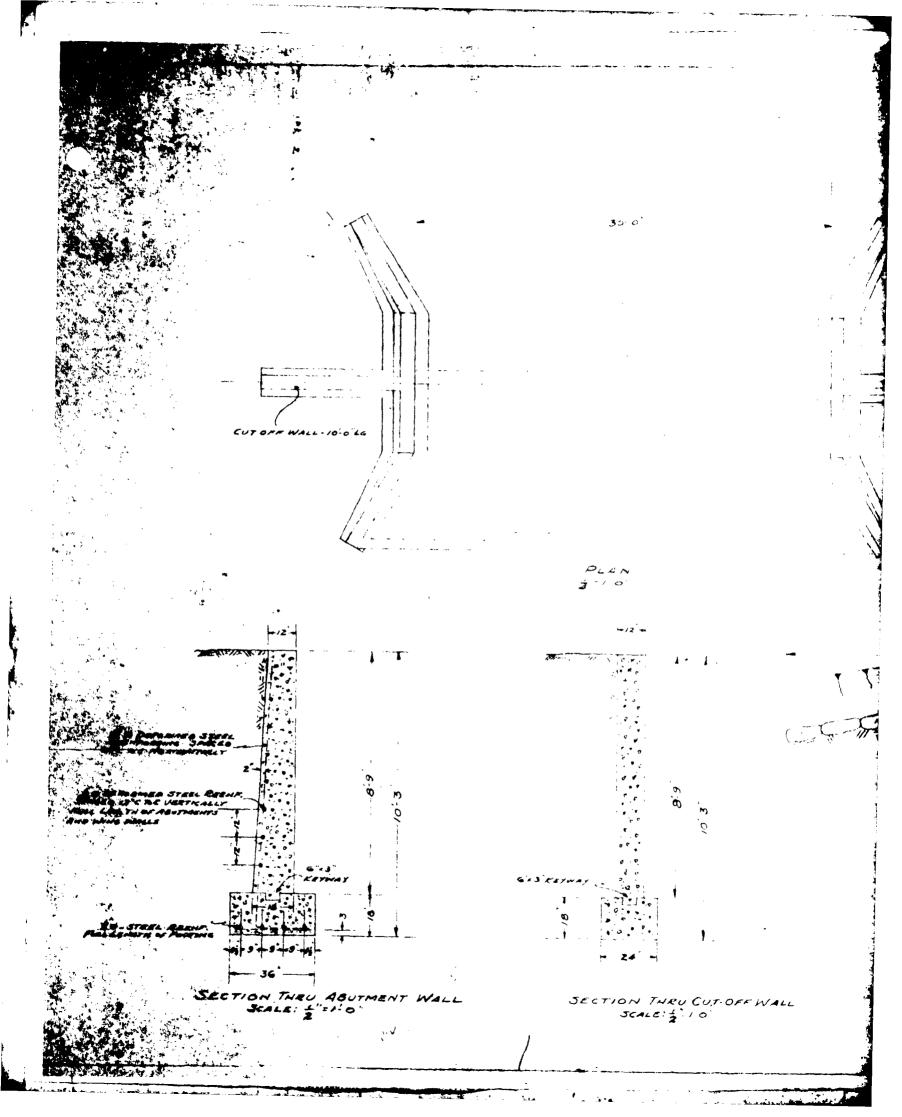










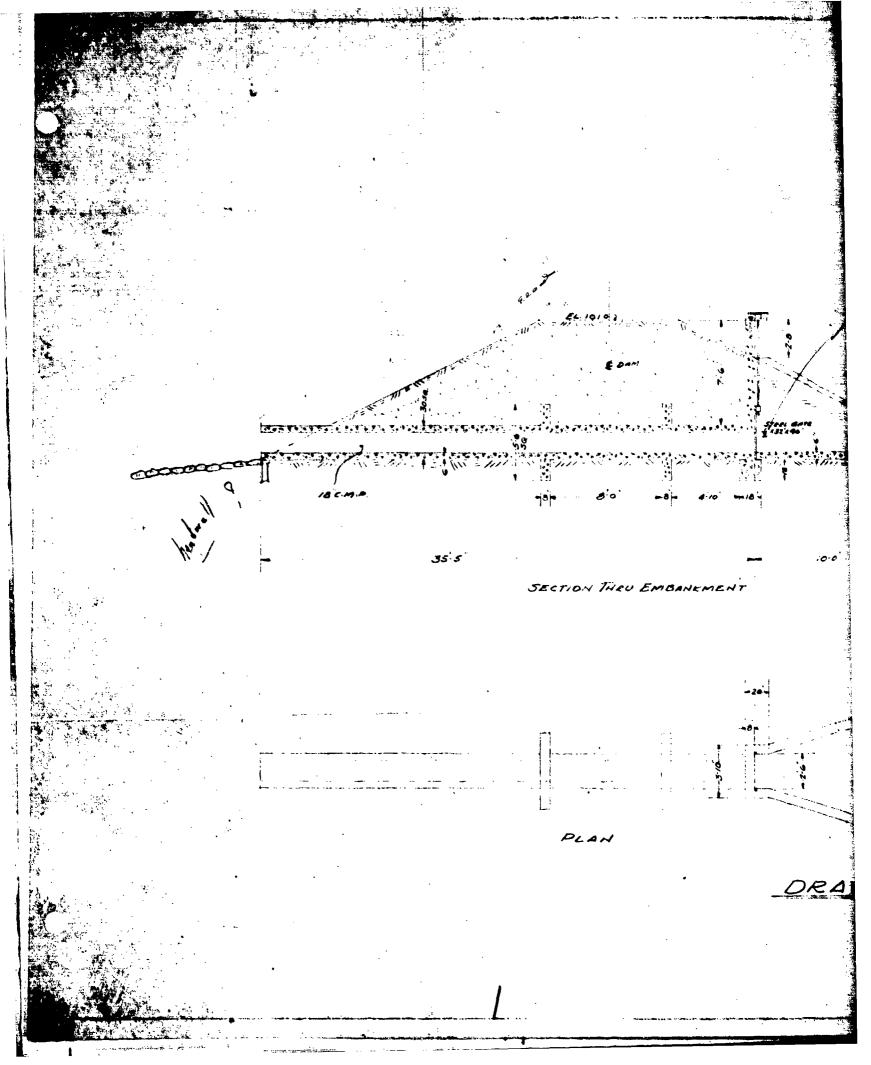


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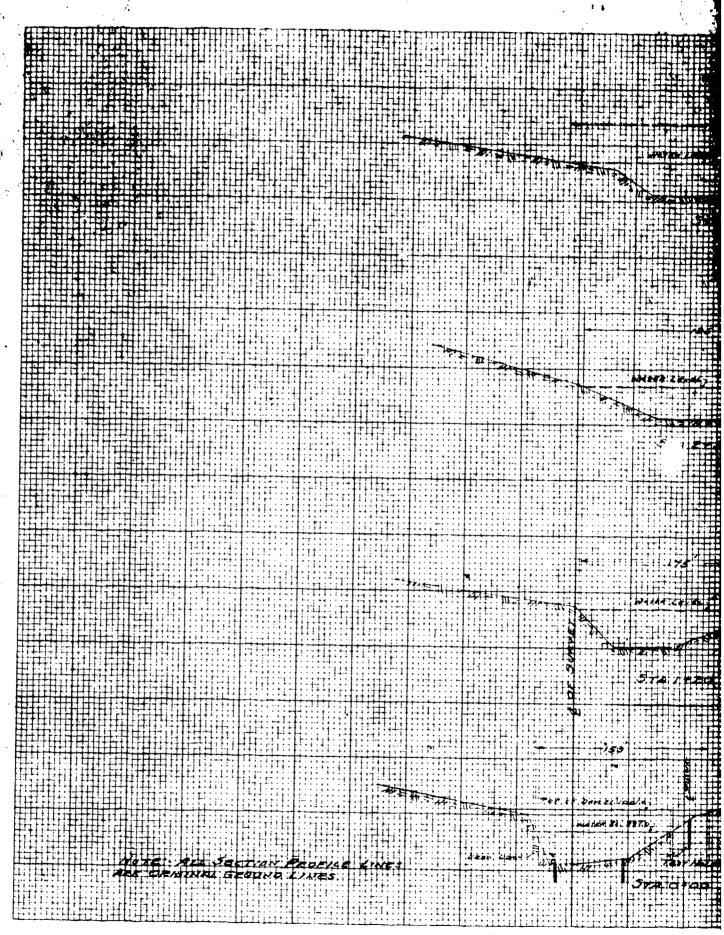
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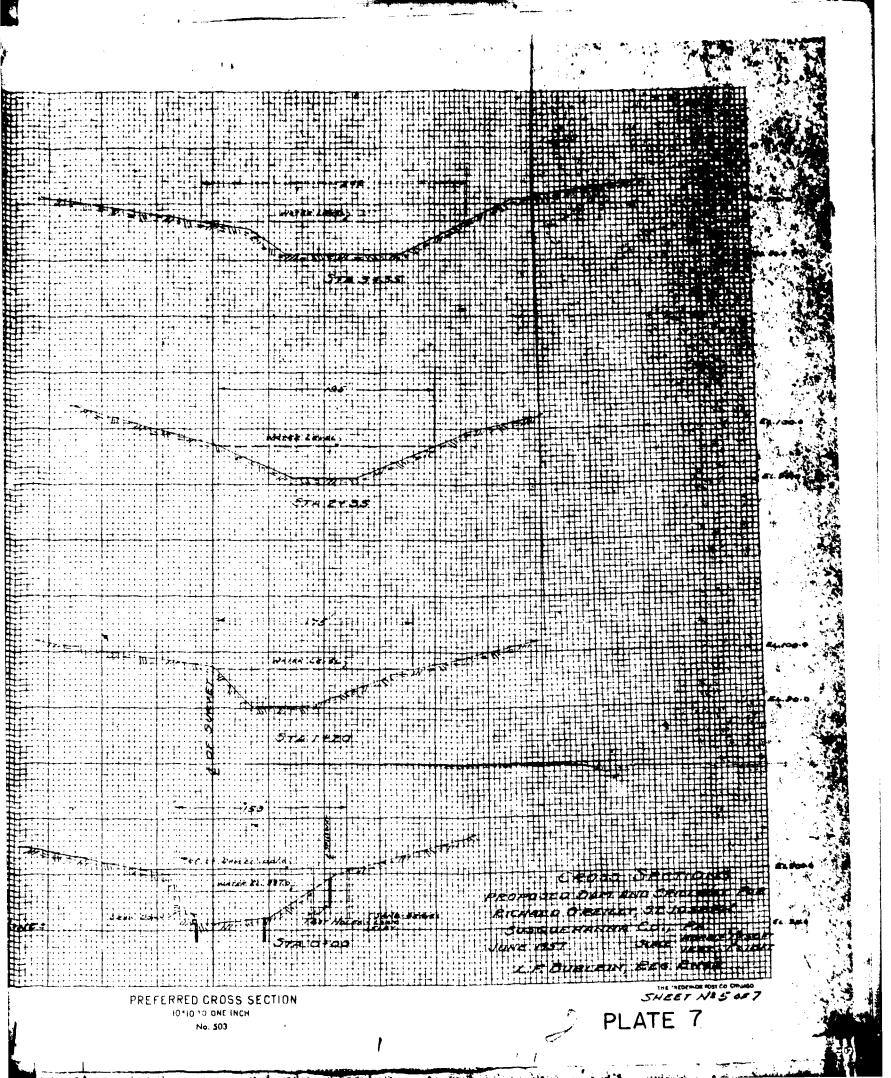


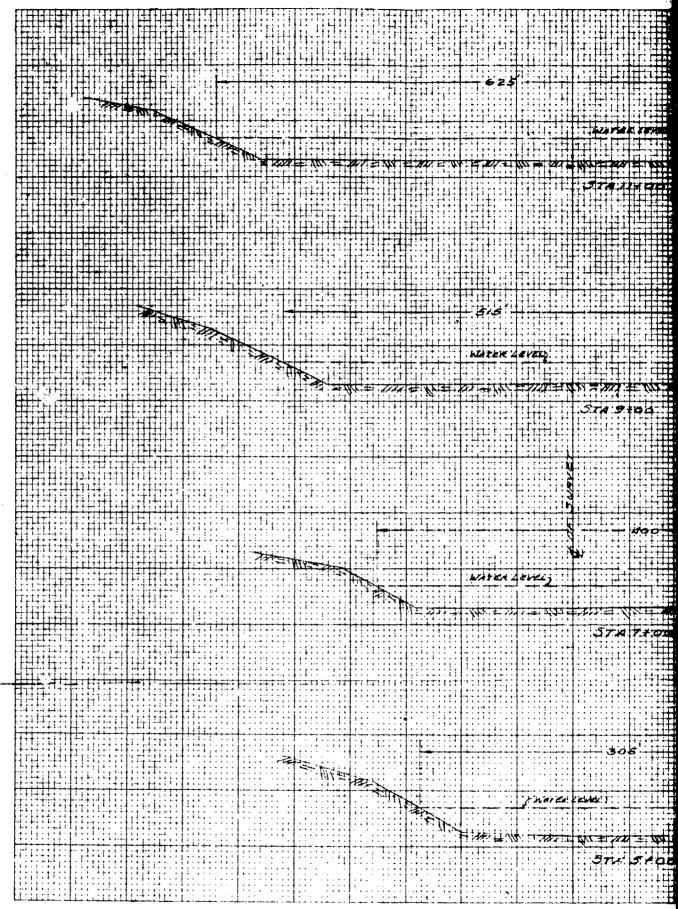
DRAW DOWN DETAILS



PREFERRED CROSS SECTION
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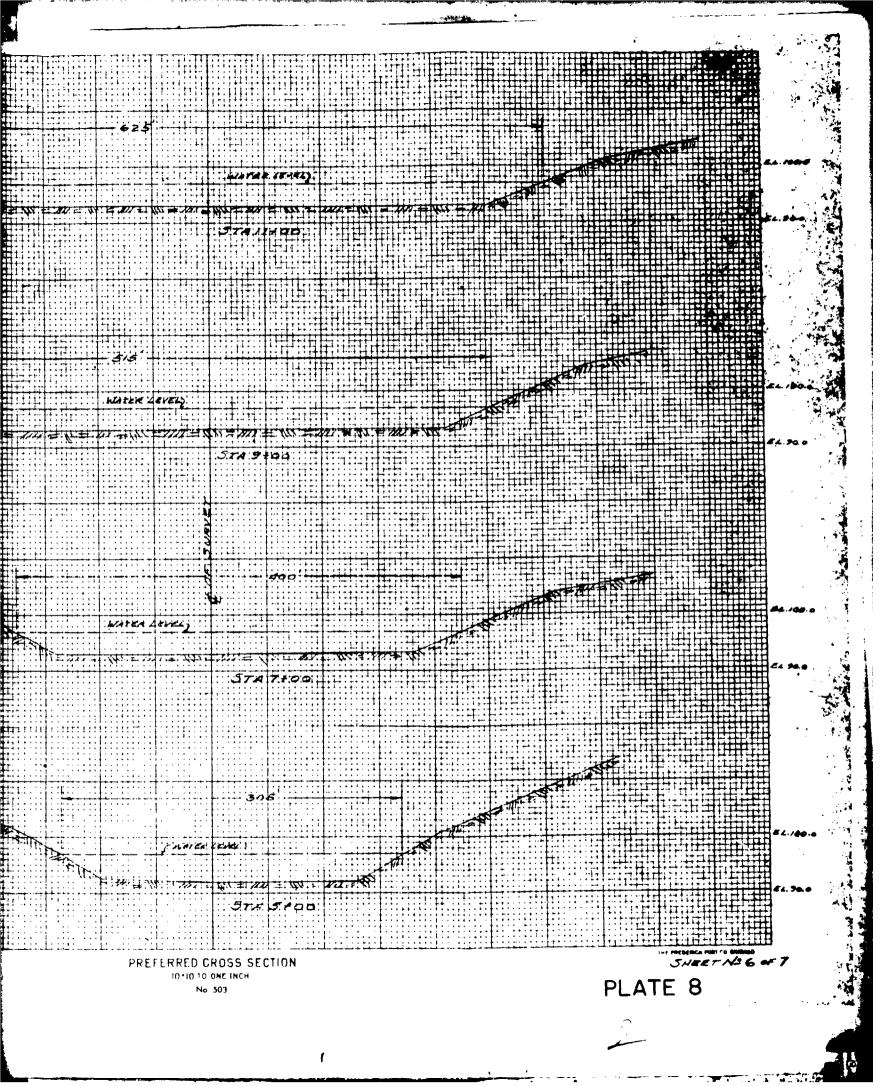
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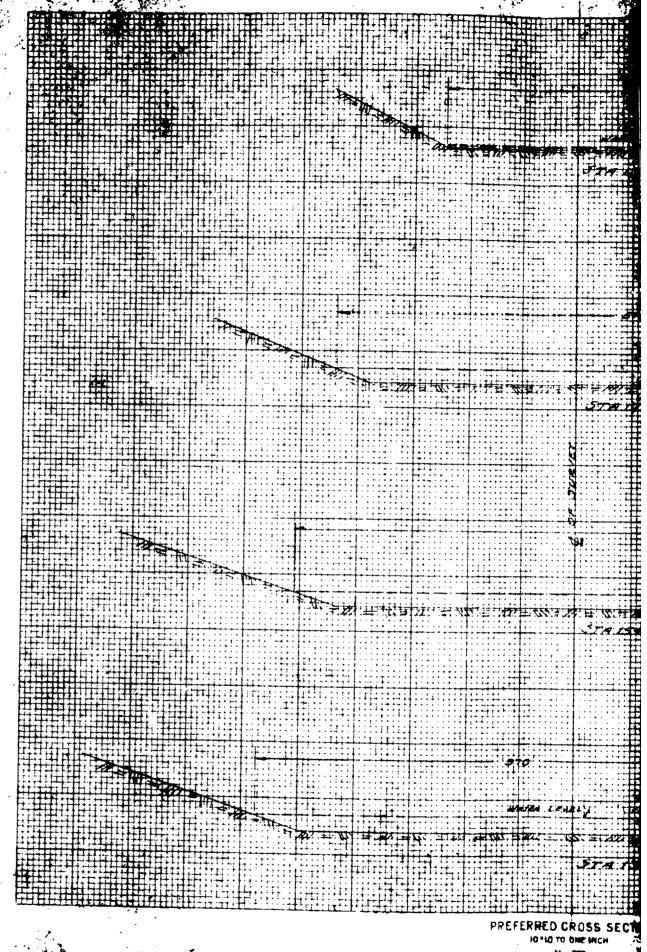




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APPENDIX F
REGIONAL GEOLOGY

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Lake Timberline Dam NDI No. PA 00977, PennDER No. 58-125

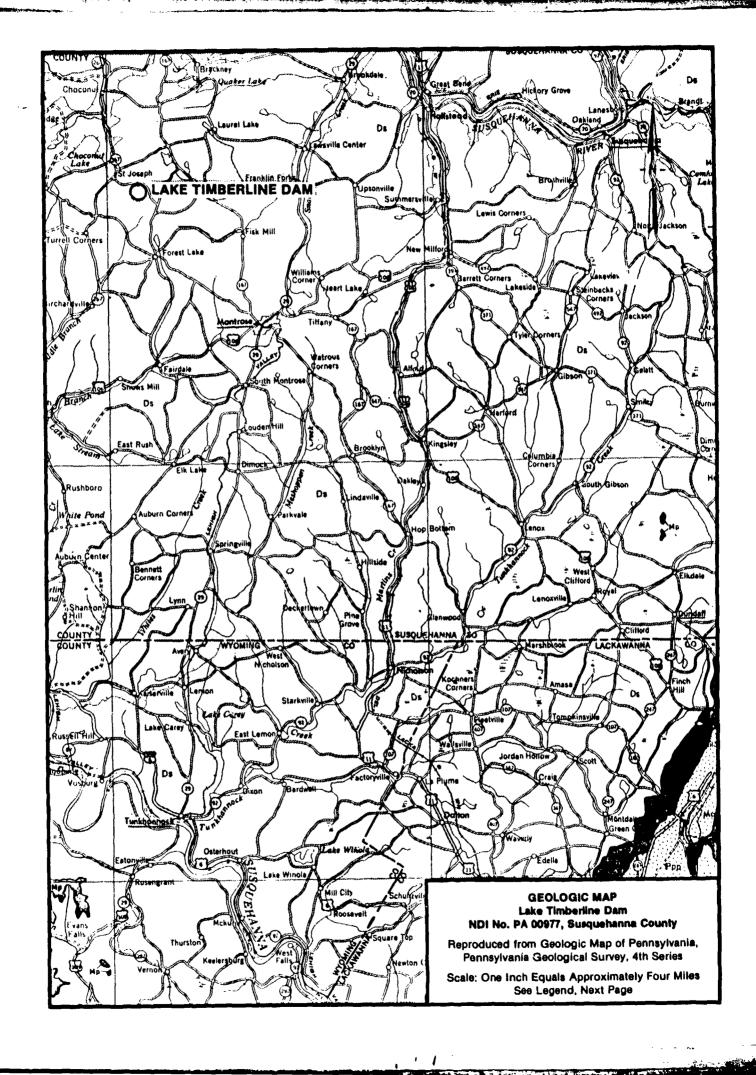
REGIONAL GEOLOGY

Lake Timberline Dam is located in the glaciated northeast section of the Appalachian Plateaus physiographic province. The impounded lake occupies the middle of an unnamed stream valley. The lake is fed by drainage from two intermittent streams. Drainage from the lake flows to the west where it eventually forms a confluence with Choconut Creek. Choconut Creek, in turn, flows to the Susquehanna River. The average topographic relief from the hilltops to the Choconut Stream Valley is 500 feet.

The study area has been glaciated at least three times and is presently overlaid by the glacial ground moraine of the Nebraskan, Kansan, and Wisconsin glaciations. Three borings were performed along the centerline of the dam. One boring indicated "sand-gravel, loam clay." Additional information other than the information presented for these three was unavailable for review; and the information from these three borings is considered meager. Therefore, the extent and thickness of the soil types is difficult to ascertain. According to the Soil Conservation Service survey for Susquehanna County, soils in the vicinity of the lake consist of Volusia flaggy to channery silt loams on slopes that range from 8 to 25 percent.

Geologic data taken from the Geologic Map of Pennsylvania indicates that bedrock in the vicinity of the lake is composed of rocks of the Devonian Susquehanna Group. Bedrock of this group has been subdivided in other sections of the state into the Marine Beds, the Catskill Formation, and the Oswayo Formation. The rocks underlying the dam are most likely of the Catskill Formation. This formation is composed chiefly of red to brownish shales and sandstones; including gray and greenish sandstone tongues named Elk Mountain, Honesdale, Shohola, and Delaware River in the east.

A. Section



GEOLOGY MAP LEGEND

DEVONIAN UPPER

WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA



Oswayo Formation

Greenskyrry to grey shules, xilistones and sand-tones becoming increasingly shuls, neestherry, considered equivalent to typ. Oxicity, Riveville Formation Or in Five and Cruwberd Contras, probably not distinguishable north of Corry



Cattaraugus Formation

CREARINGUES FORTHACTOR
Red, gray and brown shale and sandstone
with the proportion of red decreasing west
ward, includes Ventings sands of deallers
and Salamanca sandstone and congluintate, some tirucation in Crawtord and Eric connectes.



Conneaut Group

Alternating gray, brown, preenish and purelish shules and sulistance; includes "park rock" of drillers and "Chemium" and "Girard" Formations of northurstern Pennsylvania,



Canadaway Formation

Oho.

Alternating brown shales and sandstones, includes "Portuge" Formation of north-western Pennsylvania.



Oswayo Formation

Oswayo Pormation Bromersh and greenish gray, fine and matrim gratified sandshines with some shifts and sathered entorrous insis-tuctules red shalls when become more numerous custioned. Relation to type Oswayo not proved.

CENTRAL AND EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA



Catskill Formation

Charly red to brownish shales and sand-stones, includes gray and greenish sand-stone tongues named Elk Mountain, Honesalas, Shohola, and Delaware River in the cust.



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Susquehanna Group Barbed line is "Chimung-Catakill" con-test of Second Penisylvinia Survey County reports, barbs on "Chemuny" side of line.



Marme beds

Gray to olive brown shales, graywackes, and sindstones, contains "Chemany" beds and "Portage" beds including Bucket, Bratici, Hairell, and Trimmers Rock, Tuly Limistone at bose.

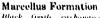


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Mahantango Formation

Meanactung of Perimicion Brown to olive shale with interbedded sindstones which are dominant in places (Montebello), highly fossiliterines in apper-part, contains "Centerfield coral bed" in castern Pennsylvania.



Black, fissile, carbonacious shale with thick, brown sandstone (Parkey Ridge) in parts of centra Pennsylvania.



Onondaga Formation

Orionidaga Forthation
Greenish bise, thin bedded shale and dark
blue to black, medium bedded limistone
with shale prodominant in most places,
includes Schnistinee Limestone and Needmore Shale in central Pennsylvania and
flutternik Falls Limestone and Esopia
Shale in ensternment Pennsylvania, in
Lehijh Gap area includes Fathnerton
Sandstone and Rimonanstown Chert.





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Ohb.

Oriskany Formation

White to brone, from to course grained, partly culcurous, leadily coordinariative, fossibitions sandstone (Kulpiley) at the top; dark group, cherty treestone with some outstudied shalts and sandstones below (Sherver).



Helderberg Formation

Durk owny, cub are mix, then bedded shote (Mandahi) at the top, equivalent to Park Ewen Shale and Revent Lameston in the east, dark gray, cheety, then bedded, jossilifenan Limestone (Non Sentland) with some local sandstones in the middle, indeed to the kendel, evisibility in limestone (Coupmins), sound in the their base dark way, mediam to their bodded, existintly in places with some chert middles.



Hamilton Group